

IN THE CLAIMS:

The text of all pending claims, (including withdrawn claims) is set forth below. Cancelled and not entered claims are indicated with claim number and status only. The claims as listed below show added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strike through~~. The status of each claim is indicated with one of (original), (currently amended), (cancelled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), or (not entered).

PLEASE CANCEL Claims 2, 4, 5, 9, 11, 12, 15 and 16, and AMEND the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) An image processing program on a computer readable medium for realizing on a computer:

a normalizing function normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;

a statistics extracting function extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of the image;

an image condition judging function judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;

a correction information creating function creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation; and

an image correcting function correcting the image, based on the created image correction information,

wherein said image condition judging function judges the image condition of said image through a two-dimensional normal distribution probability function for calculating the probability that an image belongs to each image condition, in which the mean value and the standard deviation of the image feature quantity are set to variables,

wherein when the maximum value of said probability is a predetermined value or less, said image condition judging function judges that said image belongs to a plurality of image conditions, and

wherein when it is judged by said image condition judging function that said image belongs to the plurality of image conditions, said correction information creating function integrates the image correction information in the respective image conditions, corresponding to said probability, to create the image correction information.

2. (cancelled)
3. (currently amended) An image processing program according to claim 12,
wherein when the maximum value of said probability is larger than a predetermined value, said image condition judging function judges that the image condition which becomes said probability is the image condition of said image.
4. (cancelled)
5. (cancelled)
6. (currently amended) ~~An image processing program according to claim 1,~~ An image processing program on a computer readable medium for realizing on a computer:
a normalizing function normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;
a statistics extracting function extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of the image;
an image condition judging function judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;
a correction information creating function creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation; and
an image correcting function correcting the image, based on the created image correction information,
wherein said statistics extracting function multiplies the mean value and the standard deviation of the image feature quantity in each area obtained by dividing the image into a plurality of areas, by a weighting value corresponding to a difference between the maximum value and the minimum value of the image feature quantity in each area, and sets the sum of said multiplied values as the mean value and the standard deviation of the image feature quantity.

7. (currently amended) ~~An image processing program according to claim 1, further comprising:~~ An image processing program on a computer readable medium for realizing on a computer:

a normalizing function normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;

a statistics extracting function extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of the image;

an image condition judging function judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;

a correction information creating function creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;

an image correcting function correcting the image, based on the created image correction information;

an input function inputting whether or not the corrected image is an intended image;
an input result storing function storing a result input through said input function; and
a probability display function displaying the probability that said corrected image is the intended image, based on the input result stored by said input result storing function.

8. (currently amended) A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program for realizing on a computer:

normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;

extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of the image;

judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;

creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation; and

correcting the image, based on the created image correction information,
wherein said judging judges the image condition of said image through a two-dimensional normal distribution probability function for calculating the probability that an image belongs to each image condition, in which the mean value and the standard deviation of the

image feature quantity are set to variables;

wherein when the maximum value of said probability is a predetermined value or less,
said judging judges that said image belongs to a plurality of image conditions, and

wherein when it is judged by said judging that said image belongs to the plurality of
image conditions, said creating integrates the image correction information in the respective
image conditions, corresponding to said probability, to create the image correction information.

9. (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program according to claim 98,

wherein when the maximum value of said probability is larger than a predetermined value, said judging judges that the image condition which becomes said probability is the image condition of said image.

11. (cancelled)

12. (cancelled)

13. (previously presented) ~~A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program according to claim 8,~~ A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program for realizing on a computer:

normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation
which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;

extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of
the image;

judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted
standard deviation;

creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the
extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation; and

correcting the image, based on the created image correction information,

wherein said extracting multiplies the mean value and the standard deviation of the image feature quantity in each area obtained by dividing the image into a plurality of areas, by a weighting value corresponding to a difference between the maximum value and the minimum

value of the image feature quantity in each area, and sets the sum of said multiplied values as the mean value and the standard deviation of the image feature quantity.

14. (currently amended) ~~A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program according to claim 8, further comprising:~~ A computer-readable recording medium recorded with an image processing program for realizing on a computer:

normalizing a feature quantity of an image through conducting a range transformation which allows the feature quantity of the image to be distributed over a whole range;

extracting a mean value and a standard deviation of the normalized feature quantity of the image;

judging an image condition, based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation,

creating image correction information in the judged image condition based on the extracted mean value and the extracted standard deviation;

correcting the image, based on the created image correction information;

inputting whether or not the corrected image is an intended image;

storing a result input through said inputting; and

displaying the probability that said corrected image is the intended image, based on the input result stored by said storing.

15. (cancelled)

16. (cancelled)